

THE EXPOSITION.

LARGE BUILDINGS TO BE ARRANGED FOR THE DISPLAYS.

Rare Things to be Loaned for the Show.—Authors, Artists and Artisans to Show Their Productions.—Some of the General Features.

On Monday, Jan. 18th, an office will be opened in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, where a force of typewriters will be engaged in corresponding with parties all over this country and Europe regarding exhibits and contributions. It might seem that this was somewhat in advance of the time, inasmuch as the day is fixed for the opening May 1st, but Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg say this exhibition is to be on an extensive scale and the time is none too long in which to arrange for all in the way of art and science curios and relics from all parts of the world that will be shown. Foreign and American artists will be solicited to exhibit, and not only exhibit their beautiful creations, but also assist the purpose by donating some little token of their work as an expression of their approval of this undertaking. Prominent persons in Europe will be imported to give something from their possessions both unique and as valuable as may be, authors to contribute of their work, art publishers of their pictures, manufacturers of their products, autographs and personal letters will be secured from the crowned heads of all lands, together with those of the President of the United States, his cabinet, the Senate and Congress—all of which will be for sale.

Large buildings will be arranged for the exposition and display of the great variety of articles, which will be on exhibition. Home merchants will be assigned desirable space in which they may display all goods to the best possible advantage and be granted privileges to advertise their business to their entire satisfaction.

"Such are a few of the features," say the promoters, "which will be brought to full completion and realization in our Women's Exposition of the Carolinas, managed by the women of Mecklenburg. That their efforts may be fruitful to the fullest extent let us all hope; yes, let us do more than hope, let us work to that end in every way and manner possible."

Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg have managed many expositions with complete success in attractive exhibits and financial results; and we feel assured, with a liberal assistance from the people of Charlotte and citizens of the Carolinas, this enterprise may be a greater success than any similar exposition ever held in the richer State. Full reports of the progress of the work will be given in THE NEWS from time to time.

ROBERT E. LEE'S BIRTHDAY.

A Holiday Observed Only by Banks and the Postoffice.

Tuesday was the anniversary of the birth of Robert E. Lee, and is a legal holiday in this State.

The Charlotte News and Courier says: "A year ago the South Carolina Legislature passed a bill making January 19, the birthday of Robert E. Lee, a legal holiday. This is the first time in the history of the State that any man's memory has been held in such honor. This act goes further toward teaching for all time the truth about the South, her origin and civilization, her lost cause in the past and her high hopes for the future than anything else her Legislature could have done. Closed schools and closed banks speak to all ages and classes, and the meaning of it all must tell of the good and great Southerner whom the State holds up as an inspiration to her children. Devotion to duty, allegiance to State, conspicuous gallantry in war, perfect integrity in defeat, a supreme trust in God, all of this is taught by study of the character of Lee."

The daughters of the Confederacy all over the South hold their annual meetings today. In many places the day is observed, with appropriate ceremonies, under their auspices.

Though our State Legislature was one of the first to pass a law making the day a legal holiday, the anniversary has never been properly observed in the State.

The banks and post-office were the only institutions that observed the day in Charlotte, and the majority of business men when they found the bank doors closed, had to think a while before they could remember what holiday it was.

A MARRIAGE AND ARREST.

An Inmate Parent Strikes His Daughter Over the Head With a Gun.

Mr. J. W. Hood, of Hoods, officiated at a queer wedding Thursday night.

A colored couple came to him to be married. The magistrate had hardly pronounced them man and wife, before the bride's father appeared on the scene. The paternal parent was mad, and he had a gun with him. As soon as he found that the ceremony was concluded and they were man and wife, whether he wanted them to be or not, the father turned on his daughter and started beating her over the head with a gun. This resulted in a general disturbance, and before the ink on the marriage certificate was well dry, the magistrate was writing out a warrant against the parties.

Steamer "Charlotte" Ashore.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 21.—The steamer "Charlotte," of the Southern Railway line, out-bound from Baltimore, heavy freighted, went ashore last night off Old Point. Tugs have gone to the aid of the steamer.

HAD MARRIED AGAIN.

WHEN SHE FOUND HER FIRST HUSBAND ALIVE.

A Divorce Was Granted Her in Mecklenburg Superior Court This Morning.—Two Other Divorces Granted.

One of the most unusual divorce cases ever tried in the State was decided in Mecklenburg Superior court Tuesday morning. It was an "Enoch Arden" affair that is seldom met with in real life.

The case was entitled Lute A. McCrickard vs. Valdelia McCrickard. Mrs. McCrickard's first husband left her a number of years ago. She had heard nothing from him for years and thought he was dead.

After some years she married again, and was living happily with her second husband.

Last May while traveling through South Carolina her son met his father, face to face, and recognized him perfectly.

He returned home and told his mother his father, and her first husband, was alive.

Steps were taken at once to have the marriage annulled, and this morning in the superior court the divorce was granted.

The case of E. M. Faysoux vs. Travelers' Insurance Co. was continued for the plaintiff.

Alice C. Hall was granted a divorce from Benjamin Hall on statutory grounds.

OUT OF PLACE.

Negroes Good Enough as Voters, But Not to Have a Stand at the Pic-Counter.

The white Republicans here seem to be considerably stirred up over the fact that some negroes are presumptuous enough to become candidates for some of the fat offices. Maj. McKinley will have to displease.

At the ballot box social rights were accorded the colored brother as well as the civil rights given by law, and he was patted on the back, and catered to in a way that made him smile from ear to ear.

But while "everything goes" at the ballot box it seems that some of the white R.-publicans want to draw the color line at the picnic counter.

J. W. Gordon, the colored mail agent, is a candidate for the post-office, and he claims to be as experienced and competent as the white Republicans who are after the same job.

J. M. Goode (colored) is understood to be a candidate for Director of the Mint.

As the negroes furnish more than nine-tenths of the votes in the Republican party in this State, they have taken it into their heads that they have a right to some of the spoils of office.

The white Republicans take the position that while the negro is good enough as a voter, he is altogether out of place as an office-holder.

FOUND DEAD IN HIS ROOM.

Sudden Death of Mr. James Killian Monday Morning.

Mr. James Killian was found dead in his room at the Charlotte hotel Monday morning at nine o'clock.

The chamber-maid went to his room at eight o'clock and spoke to him. He made some reply which she did not understand. She was the last one who saw him alive.

He arose and dressed; and was less than an hour later found lying across his bed dead.

The funeral was held at ten o'clock Tuesday morning from the residence of Mr. W. B. Taylor, on North Graham street.

Mr. Killian was about thirty years of age.

It is supposed he died suddenly of heart failure.

JUG OF BLOCKADE.

Captured Near the Centre of the City—Negro Got Away.

A big jug of whiskey is in custody at the city hall. It is blockade, and was captured near the heart of the city.

Officer Jetton Tuesday night saw a negro cautiously emerge from the shadow of the new court house. He had a suspicious looking bag on his shoulder.

The officer ordered him to halt, but the negro dropped his bag and ran like the wind.

The negro got away, but the jug, which couldn't run, was captured.

Funeral of Mrs. John R. Morris.

Mrs. Emma Morris, wife of Mr. John R. Morris, of Morning Star township, died Monday at 1 o'clock of pneumonia. She was fifty-eight years old the daughter of the late Dr. S. B. Watson, who died a year ago, and a sister of Mrs. D. G. Maxwell, of this city. She leaves a husband and five children, all of whom are grown. They are John Watson Morris, of Cabarrus county; Zebulon Morris, of Morning Star township; Mrs. W. F. Stevens, of Matthews; Mrs. D. S. M. Crowell, of Crab Orchard; and Miss Mary Morris.

The funeral was held Tuesday at Philadelphia Presbyterian church, of which she was a consistent member, by Rev. Dr. Harrill. A large number of friends and relatives attended.

Steamer "Oriflamme" Afire.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The British steamer "Oriflamme," previously reported aground in the river Seine, is now on fire. She was bound for Philadelphia from Rouen, and was owned by A. Stewart.

PRITCHARD TODAY.

ELECTED SENATOR.

Receives 88 Votes, a Good Majority.

THANKS THE BOLLING POPULISTS.

Says They Will Never Have Cause to Regret Their Action.—Russell and Skinner Speak—Butler Takes Personal Effort on Members but is Unsuccessful.—End of the Great Contest.

RALEIGH, N.C., Jan. 20.—Jeter C. Pritchard was elected United States Senator on joint ballot in the Legislature today. He received eighty eight votes, or twelve more than a majority.

The vote was: Senate, Pritchard, 24; Thomson, 17; Doughton, 7. House: Pritchard, 64; Thompson, 26; Doughton, 26.

Pritchard received the votes of Cox and Dockery, which he did not get yesterday.

WANTED TO PAIR.

McCaskey wanted to pair with D. Reid Parker, who was sick, but according to the ruling of Speaker, was made to vote. An effort was made to get several members to vote, but they didn't appear.

BUTLER'S UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORTS.

Senator Butler appeared on the floor of the House when the vote had been cast and used personal efforts to persuade Brown, Cox and Dockery, Republicans, to change their votes. He was unsuccessful.

PRITCHARD GREETED WITH CHEERS.

After the election a committee was appointed to escort Senator Pritchard to the hall.

The Senator appeared soon and was given tremendous applause. He thanked his friends, and especially the Populists who supported him, and declared they would never have occasion to regret what they had done. He said his victory meant much in the nation and said he would keep every pledge made.

GOVERNOR RUSSELL SPEAKS.

There were loud cheers for Russell and the Governor responded. He said he was not one who believed the senatorial contest had ended fusion.

HARRY SKINNER TALKS.

He quit abruptly and Harry Skinner was called for and, of course, appeared. He stated that the proceedings were not orderly and that only Pritchard should be heard, and that two bodies should get to work. However, before he finished, Skinner delivered a regular campaign speech.

T. J. PENCE.

News Notes From Croft.

Correspondence of The News.

CROFT, Jan. 19.—Frank Pope, the youngest son of Mr. J. A. Pope, of this place, who has been in school at Newell's, came home yesterday with lagrippe. It is hoped he has only a slight attack and that he will soon be able to return to school.

Miss Maggie Ferrall, an estimable young lady, of Eastfield, died last Tuesday. Miss Ferrall had been sick a long time and death was only a messenger of relief to her pain-racked body.

Mr. and Mrs. Stinson lost their little 4 year old daughter, Lillian. She died of croup last Tuesday night. The bereaved family have the sincere and heartfelt sympathies of the neighborhood in the loss of their little child.

Mr. Dallas Pitts, who has been visiting friends around here, returned to his home in Concord last Monday. He made many friends during his short stay among us.

Miss Ida Shaw, of Dixie, N. C., who is now visiting her friend, Miss Edna Carroll, near Concord, is expected here on a visit at the home of Mr. W. M. Abernethy, this week.

Miss Ava Abernethy returned home from a visit to Paw Creek last week.

Miss Fawell, who has been visiting the family of Mrs. Nora Henderson, returned home last week.

Due West Notes.

Correspondence of The News.

DUE WEST, S. C., Jan. 15.—We welcome the arrival of three new students from Rock Hill, S. C.

Dr. Kennedy, of Atlanta, was married Jan. 6, 1897, to Miss Jennie Cowan, of Tennessee. They arrived here Thursday to spend a few days with the groom's father.

Mr. Sitton, the father-in-law of Prof. D. G. Caldwell, died in Atlanta last Friday and was buried here on Sunday.

Prof. W. M. Grier has been unwell for the past few days, but is able to resume his work again.

Dr. Pressly, President of the Seminary, is confined to his bed with lagrippe.

Dr. Henry, of this place, died last night from an attack of lagrippe.

The Philomathean Literary Society's semi-annual celebration will take place on the 26th of this month.

The celebration of the Euphemian is two weeks later.

Spain Prepared to Grant Reforms.

MADRID, Jan. 21.—Premier Canovas states today that while confident of the success of the military operations in Cuba, he is prepared to grant reforms, and would submit the decrees with that object in view as directed by the Council of State at its recent meeting.

PLAGUE SPREADING.

FL'ING INHABITANTS OF BOMBAY SCATTER THE DISEASE.

More Than Two-Thirds of the Inhabitants of the City Have Fled.—European Governments Quarantining Against the Plague.

By Telegraph to The News.

BOMBAY, India, Jan. 18.—The Bubonic plague is increasing daily in this city.

It is now estimated that nearly, if not two thirds of the inhabitants of the city have fled, and in many instances carried the disease with them.

HOW THE DISEASE SPREADS.

A cablegram from London says: "The French, Austrian and Italian governments have already taken stringent measures against the importation of the plague, but it can hardly be possible to escape a series of alarms from this cause during the next few weeks."

The ravages of the plague are still far more deadly than the more horrible plague at Bombay.

The victims of the plague are perishing by hundreds daily, but the victims of hunger succumb by thousands daily. It would be easy to harrow the hearts of every one possessing human sympathy by accounts of the typical sights experienced in the vast famine district, but surely the appetite for horror in all its forms has been satiated throughout Christendom during the past few months.

Thus the poison is diffused and cannot be eradicated except by fire. This explains the efficacy of the old method of cleansing by conflagration, and at the same time the fatality of isolating the sick as in other infectious diseases. The only thing to be done is to remove the healthy. It is stated in the Daily Mail dispatches, which are the only ones worth reading in the London papers, that large business houses in Bombay which are infested by rats have been rendered untenable by the ravages of the plague among those vermin. They die by hundreds in the walls and human occupants have been compelled to vacate the buildings. It is not observed that any larger animals are subjected to the infection.

"It is sufficient to say that the gaunt, starving millions of India are starving at a more rapid rate than any army ever suffered before the most deadly engines of destruction devised by man. The relief movement is now apparently in full operation. The public conscience and sympathy in this country have both been fully aroused. The response to the appeal is liberal but utterly impossible. The proportion of givers to the sufferers is scarcely more than one in a thousand. It will require the generosity of the whole world to oppose a real check to the ravages of hunger in India."

BOMBAY VESSELS QUARANTINED.

VALETTA, Isthmus of Malta, Jan. 18.—A twenty days quarantine has been declared against vessels arriving from Bombay.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Several Cases Continued This Morning—Court in Session Only One Hour.

The Superior Court met at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning and in session about an hour. Not a single case was tried and finally disposed of.

In the case of H. N. Pharr, administrator of Sarah Carter vs. the Life Insurance Co. of Virginia, an order certiorari was issued to the magistrate, directing him to send up the proper record in the case.

The case of N. R. Wilds vs. the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Co., was continued by consent.

The case of John L. Burton vs. the Carolina Central railroad company was continued for the plaintiff, on account of the absence of a witness, Rosa Burton.

The case of B. J. Edwards, et. al. vs. W. W. Phifer, et. al., was continued by consent.

Death of Mrs. C. A. Hodges.

Mrs. C. A. Hodges, the youngest daughter of Mr. Calvin Hood, died Tuesday morning at her home in Crab Orchard township.

She was a faithful member of the Presbyterian church. Her life was an inspiration and joy to all those who knew her. Her body was laid to rest at Newell cemetery Wednesday. She leaves a devoted husband, one child and many friends to mourn her loss.

Cuban Filibuster Sunk.

HAVANA, Jan. 20.—The steamer "Elify," of Sandusky, Ohio, supposed to be engaged in carrying arms and ammunition to the Cuban army, has sunk on the Colorado reef. The crew were saved. They have applied to Consul General Lee at Havana, to be returned to the United States.

The boat cleared from Boca del Oro, Colombia, ostensibly for New Orleans, and had good weather until near the reef. The vessel is a total wreck. The vessel is small and swift of a class peculiarly adapted to filibustering. She carried a large crew. She was built in Sandusky in 1895.

Apprehended by Entrance Guard.

By Telegraph to The News.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—Mary McCabe, Mary McGoff and Addie McGoff, all young girls, were found unconscious in their beds this morning as a result of escaping fumes from a furnace. Their condition is precarious.

Another Bank Goes Under.

NEWPORT, N. Y., Jan. 18.—The First National Bank of this city closed this morning.

THE BILL DRAWN.

FOR AN INTERNATIONAL MONETARY CONFERENCE.

Chandler Has Drawn the Bill.—Cameron Lets His Cuban Resolution Rest.—Forecast of the Week's Work.

By Telegraph to The News.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18.—Senator Chandler has introduced in the Republican caucus a bill providing for an international monetary conference. The Senate has agreed to take up the monetary conference bill tomorrow without reference to a committee. It will be passed without delay.

Senator Cullom presented to the Senate a memorial from Chicago bankers asking speedy action on the arbitration treaty. Senator Cameron is in his seat today but says he will not bring up the Cuban resolution today.

WEEK'S WORK IN CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Appropriation bills will demand the attention of the Senate this week. The army bill has been reported and the military academy and legislative bills will be reported from the committee tomorrow.

Sensor Morgan will probably address the Senate tomorrow on his bill for the appointment of a board of government trustees to operate the Pacific roads until the government's claim is liquidated.

The Nicaragua canal bill, in accordance with the discussion of the Republican steering committee will be made the unfinished business Monday. The proposition to guarantee the canal bonds will be antagonized by Messrs. Turpie, West, Teller and others.

There is no indication of any intention to call up the Cameron Cuban resolution. The utterances of Mr. Sherman on this subject, since the formal announcement of his acceptance of the State department portfolio are looked upon by his associates as a request from the incoming administration that nothing should be done pending its accession to power. Several influential Senators who were previously charged with being "jingles" have since their visit to Canton become very conservative, and no one of the Republican side of the chamber is now urging action of any kind with respect to the war in Cuba.

The extradition treaties between the United States and the Orange Free State and the Argentine Republic will probably be disposed of this week, and the remainder of the time will be devoted to clearing up unobjectionable matters on the calendar.

In the House of Representatives no programme of business has been arranged except a Virginia contested election. It is the expectation of the members of the committee on rules that in the course of the week the agricultural and Indian appropriation bills will be considered.

The New Senators.

The following new United States Senators have been chosen this week:

Thomas Collier Platt (R-P), New York.

Boies Penrose (Rep.), Pennsylvania.

Charles W. Fairbanks (Rep.), Indiana.

James K. Jones (Dem.) Arkansas.

Henry M. Teller (Free Silver), Colorado.

Jac b H. Gallinger (Rep.) New Hampshire.

Jeter C. Pritchard (Rep-Pop.), North Carolina.

R. R. Kenney (Dem.), Delaware.

George G. Vest (Dem.), Missouri.

H. C. Hansbrough (Rep.), North Dakota.

Orville H. Platt (Rep.), Connecticut.

William E. Mason (Rep. in caucus), Illinois.

Providing Against Cholera and Plague.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—France and Italy are taking strict precautions against England and India because of cholera, and the bubonic plague, the former because the British steamship "Nubia" arrived at Plymouth with cholera on board. France subjects the passengers from Plymouth to a five days' inspection.

To Foreclose Pacific Mortgages.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Officials of the department of justice say that action on the Pacific railway cases today are mere guess work. No doubt foreclosure proceedings will soon be instituted as the law of 1897 gives the president no alternative if the indebtedness is not paid by January first.

Terrific Explosion of Nitro Glycerine.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 12.—A package of nitro-glycerine exploded at Shoupin station, an oil town on the Ohio river, fourteen miles below here, this morning. Report says three lives were lost. The united pipelines, the pumping station and other valuable property were destroyed. Details are difficult to obtain, as the telegraph wires are broken.

Financial Question Still Up.

The election of a silver Senator in the State of Delaware is by no means encouraging to those people who would discontinue all agitation of the financial question.—Washington Post.

Pineville Circuit.

First quarterly meeting will be held at Pineville on the 23rd and 24th. Services will begin on Saturday at 11 a. m. Dr. Jno. R. Brooks, P. E., will conduct the meeting.

Another Bank Goes Under.

NEWPORT, N. Y., Jan. 18.—The First National Bank of this city closed this morning.

FOR FREE SILVER.

RESOLUTION TO INSTRUCT OUR REPRESENTATIVES.

Henry Pleads for Monroe Johnson. Dr. Curry to Speak.—County Government and Election Law to be Re-legislated.—But to What? A Felony to Strate Election Book.

Special to The News.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 21.—A resolution by Senator Abell, of Johnson, instructing our representatives in Congress to vote for the free and unlimited coinage of silver, independent of all nations was made the special order for Tuesday.

A bill was introduced to reorganize the standing committee in the Senate, giving the Republicans and Populists four members each and the Democrats two each.

Sensor Grant introduced a joint resolution providing for a committee of five Senators and eight representatives to consider the election law and the subject of county government.

Bills were introduced in the House to make it a felony to steal any election book, a resolution instructing Senators and Representatives to work for the repeal of the tax on fruit brandy, and a bill to amend the divorce law so that if a husband is in jail his wife can re-marry.

The bill to allow clerks of the Superior Court in certain counties to appoint deputies who can probate deeds, was taken up, consideration postponed and a general bill will be prepared.

A bill was passed providing that in appeals to a higher court evidence shall be sent in at the request of either party to the action.

A bill making guardians and executors who misappropriate funds liable to embezzlement was passed.

A bill was introduced in the Senate to prevent the forfeiture of goods sold on the installment plan.

Dr. J. L. M. Curry has been invited to speak before the joint Assembly next Monday. Lusk asked who Curry was.

Walter Henry appeared before Governor Russell in behalf of Monroe Johnson this morning.

Awakes After Eleven Days.

DANBURY, Ct., Jan. 18.—Charlotte Pittala, the young woman who has been in a deep slumber eleven days, awoke this morning. The doctors have been inclined to think she was conscious of what was going on about her, but she says she remembers nothing during her illness.